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Applicant:	Popejoy et al.			
Invention:	FRICTION SHEET FEEDING MACHINE WITH REVERSIBLE DRIVEN RETARD ROLLER			

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

## SPECIFICATION

Add the following paragraph immediately after the TITLE on page 1.

This application claims priority to United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/423,239 filed November 1, 2002.

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